

## Health News Release

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## King County East Asian medical practitioner's credential reinstated

**OLYMPIA** — The Department of Health reinstated the East Asian medical practitioner and registered counselor credentials of Alfred Laggner. His East Asian medical practitioner and registered counselor credentials (AC00002980 and RC00039977) were suspended by the agency in December of 2008 because of alleged sexual misconduct.

In April 2009, Laggner was acquitted of indecent liberties charges in Walla Walla County Superior Court. In June 2010, the state health department reinstated Laggner's East Asian medical practitioner credential. On February 2, 2011, the reinstatement order was revised to include the registered counselor credential. The revised order releases the discipline action against the registered counselor credential, which was abolished by the legislature effective July 1, 2010.

Legal documents in this case are available online by clicking the link to "Provider Credential Search" on the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). Consumers who believe a health care provider acted unprofessionally are encouraged to call Health Systems Quality Assurance, 360-236-4700 to report their complaint.

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